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TO: Holders of AHCCCS Medical Policy Manuals

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SUBJECT: AHCCCS Medical Policy Manual (AMPM)
Update, January and February 2008

We have a few updates for the months of January and February.

Reminder - Date Format Change

Please note we have initiated a revision in the format of the AMPM. We are relocating the policy revision dates from the bottom of each page to the beginning of each policy. We believe this will allow readers to better identify when a policy has been modified. We will implement the new revision to date formats as we review policy. Therefore, we will have more than one format until we have completed our review of the Manual.

Chapter 300, Exhibit 300-1

Technical modifications have been made to the layout of the Exhibit. This is a correction of an error, not a change in AHCCCS policy.

Chapter 600

We have performed a complete review of Chapter 600, Provider Qualifications and Provider Requirements. Non-substantive changes were made to improve clarity and readability of the text. We have modified the date format of this Chapter as discussed above.

Individuals with questions related to this Chapter should contact Michelle Gonzales at 602-417-4076.

Chapter 1240, Exhibit 1240-3

There is one technical change to Exhibit 1240-3. Adult Day Health Services requires a physician order. This is not a change in policy, but a correction to an omission on the table.

Appendix G

Appendix G contains the AHCCCS Behavioral Health Service Guide. Two technical changes were completed in this section as described below.

- Service Code H0031 – Mental health assessment by non-physician has been modified to reflect that code is an event based code. The previously printed qualifier of “30 minutes” has been removed.
- Exhibits C and F have been updated to provide current Contractor contact information.

Individuals with questions related to Appendix G should contact Kristin Frounfelker, Behavioral Health Administrator at 602-417-4214.

TO UPDATE YOUR AMPM:

Chapter 300

Replace Exhibit 300-1 with the revised Exhibit 300-1.

Chapter 600

Replace entire Chapter with the revised Chapter 600.

Chapter 1200

Replace Exhibit 1240-3 with the revised Exhibit 1240-3.

Appendix G

Replace pages 19 through 20 with the revised pages 19 through 20.

Replace pages 23 through 24 with the revised pages 23 through 24.

Replace pages 51 through 52 with the revised pages 51 through 52.

Replace pages 53 through 54 with the revised pages 53 through 54.

Replace Transmittal History (at end of Appendix G) with the revised Transmittal History.